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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Office Action dated May 2, 2006.

Claims Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended to specify that the form includes a plurality of tags, with each tags containing a dot code identifying the photo album form and a location of that tag on the form. Basis for this amendment can be found at page 15, lines 13-14; page 17, lines 1-5; Figure 5 and original claim 1.

The dependent claims and independent claim 26 have been amended to bring them into conformity with claim 1.

Claims 4 and 29-31 have been cancelled.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

Claim 1 has been amended in response to the issues raised by the Examiner under 35 USC § 112.

To answer the Examiner's questions, Figure 1 is of course covered by the claims to the extent that it shows a form having graphic information 2 and a plurality of tags 4. Figure 1 was used in the description to introduce the concept of how the present invention works. The actual form shown in Figure 1 is not a photo album form, because the graphic information 2 does not relate to photo album activities. However, it will readily understood that other types of graphic information 2 can be printed on such a form, and examples of photo album forms are shown in Figures 69-74.

The meaning of "coded data" has been explicitly clarified. Claim 1 now specifies that the form includes a plurality of tags, with each tag containing a dot code identifying the form and the location of that tag on the form. Now that claim 1 explicitly specifies tags containing a dot code, any possible ambiguity has been removed.

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103(a)

With claims 1 and 26 clarified, it is submitted that the disclosure of Cass is not relevant to the patentability of the present invention.

Cass fails to teach an interactive page, which includes a plurality of tags as now defined. Further, Cass's sensing device does not generate 'indicating data' regarding its position relative to a page by sensing a dot code, as contained in one or more such tags.

The Examiner is requested to reconsider the Applicant's previous submissions under 35 USC § 103(a) in view of the amended and clarified claims filed herewith.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections have been successfully traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the application is courteously solicited.

Very respectfully,

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